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Letter delivered by email and Fed-Ex and Fax.

Case No: 2916
Site Address: 650 E.Laurel Drive, Salinas, California.

Dear Mr. Lockwood:

We, the owners of the above mentioned property, are objecting to the closure of Case 2916 on the following grounds:

Several monitoring wells were not sampled for a few years due to either obstruction or lack of water or other impediment.

The rationale by Chevron for bringing the case to closure is as follows: data resulting from samplings is missing therefore we can conclude that it will be negligible since science tells us that what has diminished will always diminished (especially when we do not test it). We disagree with this logical argument.

We understand that the volumes of pollutants removed is known but what is the volume of all the pollutants based on the condition of the tanks removed in 1977? We do not know. We do not know if a report was submitted indicating the condition of the tanks. That is why it is important to properly monitor all the wells.

We are stating again that the wells were not properly monitored and we are asking the state to protect us and the many residential owners adjacent to the site and the environment, by requesting proper testing of those wells, specifically MW-8 in order to agree to the closure of the case. A development is planned for the site which we own immediately adjacent to the shopping center and to the MW-8 and we are asking the state to request further testing.

We did not receive the results of soil borings as indicated in the letter dated September 5, 2012 written by Mr. Brady Nagle of SAIC which we quote here "Prior to applying for regulatory closure with the RWQCB, the Monterey

County Health Department will require collection of soil samples to confirm the adequacy of remedial effort. The soil boring will be advanced to depths of up to 45 feet below ground surface using a drilling rig at locations to be determined.

Based on the results of confirmation soil borings, the RWQCB and MCHD may grant regulatory case closure ...” We have not received those tests results. Did they ever occur? We do not know.

We have a question: why no solid contaminants which at some time or another were additive components to gasoline and diesel were tested?

For all of the above we are objecting to the closure of Case 2916 pending further testing.

Sincerely yours,

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